



Issue 99/Wednesday 15 September 2021

This is the latest round-up of information for GP practices, produced by South East London CCG. Should you have any questions or need advice, contact your local borough primary care team in the first instance; they will escalate anything they can't resolve to south east London's Coronavirus co-ordination centre.

Please check for any borough-specific information, which will be attached to this bulletin by your borough primary care commissioning team.

COVID-19

Vaccination of healthy children and young people aged 12-15

Following the Government's acceptance of the UK CMOs' recommendation to extend the offer of universal vaccination with a first dose of the Pfizer vaccine to all children and young people aged 12 to 15 (who are not already covered by existing JCVI advice), this [letter dated 15 September](#) sets out the actions that need to be taken to ensure the timely operationalisation of this work.

NHS Vaccine Deployment Programme is holding a [webinar](#) this Thursday 16 September from 4pm to 5pm to set out the next steps. Please register [here](#) by 2.30pm this Thursday and further details will be provided then.

Reminder - JCVI guidance for vaccinating immunosuppressed individuals with a third dose

The Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) published [updated guidance](#) on vaccinations for people aged 12 years and over with severe immunosuppression.

The [NHSE/I letter](#) sets out the actions for systems to begin vaccinating this group with a third dose as part of their primary vaccination course by 13 September 2021. The annexes to the letter include the JCVI list of eligible individuals and template letters for GP practices and consultants to adapt and issue.

NHSE/I have also produced a [set of FAQs](#) on the third dose COVID-19 vaccine as part of the primary course of vaccination for severely immunosuppressed individuals.

Vaccinations for staff entering a care home – reminder of action required by Thursday 16 September

Please remember that all staff need to have had their first vaccination by **Thursday 16 September** (as eight weeks is required between the two doses) if they are to be permitted to enter a care home from **Thursday 11 November**. Read the NHSE/I [letter and FAQs](#).

All relevant providers of NHS-funded services will also need to:

- carry out proactive workforce planning to ensure:
 - only staff who are vaccinated, or exempt, are deployed to a care home from 11 November
 - service provision is not disrupted once this regulation comes into force
- ensure relevant staff can demonstrate to care home staff, via the NHS COVID pass service, that they have either had two doses or are exempt.

COVID-19 staff testing and reporting

Regular antigen testing of all practice staff is critical to protect staff and patients and slow the spread of Covid-19. Staff testing is vital - even after vaccination. ALL test results regardless of outcome must be reported. Find out more [here](#) in our weekly update.

GP updates

Blood Tests Update

As you will be aware, on the 26th August, NHSE requested that primary care and community services temporarily stop requesting any non-urgent blood tests until at least the 17th September due to a national shortage of blood tubes. At present, we have not received confirmation on when routine blood tests can start to be requested again, noting that this is likely to be on a phased basis initially. **As a result, we would advise that all clinicians continue to only request bloods where clinically urgent.** As soon as we receive further information, we will of course communicate this immediately.

Seasonal Flu 2021-2022 and Childhood Flu 2021-2022 Service offered out

The following services are now available and have been offered out to practices for participation:

- Seasonal Flu 2021-2022 Service
- Childhood Flu 2021-2022 Service

Please can practices accept these offers at their earliest opportunity to ensure that data is extracted when the scheduled extraction window opens on the 10 October 2021. To

ensure that your practice data is collected when the extraction window opens the offer will need to be accepted by 30th September 2021 at the very latest.

Please can we remind practices to check their data for accuracy once the extraction has completed each month and to raise a claim in the event of any anomalies so that we can amend CQRS. Do not declare incorrect data until it has been amended. All declarations and claims need to be made within the six-month deadline, but we encourage early action to ensure that the data is easier to verify and also to avoid delays in payments being made.

Further information in respect of 21/22 Seasonal Flu will be published by NHS England and NHS Improvement shortly.

Information and guidance documents for each of the available services can be found here: <https://welcome.cqrs.nhs.uk/serviceinfo.html>

Information about the contract changes can be found on the NHS England website: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/gp/gp/v/investment/gp-contract/>

Details of these services, including the live collections timetable can be found on the GP Collections website: <https://digital.nhs.uk/GP-collections>

Please contact us at england.londonimms@nhs.net for any queries or claims.

For information – Guidance on Two Week Wait (2WW) referrals via NHS e-Referral Service (e-RS)

The Quality Team has prepared some useful [guidance](#) about the 2WW referral process in response to a number of quality alerts raised by local acute service providers.

OneLondon wins prestigious HSJ Value Award

OneLondon has been awarded the IT and Digital Innovation Award at the HSJ Value Awards 2021, in recognition of its outstanding contribution during what has been one of the most challenging periods in the history of the healthcare sector.

The judging panel was extremely impressed by the successful implementation of the London Care Record and its scale - a single shared care record for Londoners giving clinicians a joined-up picture of a person's health and care information, available at the point of care. It acts as a single version of the truth, providing more joined up care, leading to more informed decisions about care and ultimately saving lives.

SEL CCG would like to thank GPs for contributing to the success of the London Care Record, through sharing information using the local Connect Care system, during an especially challenging 18 months.

Information from Acute Providers

Consultant Connect advice line for General Paediatrics – service extends hours

From 1 July 2021, the advice line at Guy's and St Thomas' will be available from 9:00 to 19:00, Monday to Friday. Please call for urgent advice. Non-urgent advice is available via ERS or through your PCN child health team.

Changes to Urgent Treatment Centre at King's College Hospital

From 4 October 2021, urgent care services provided at the King's College Hospital (Denmark Hill site) will be run in partnership with Greenbrook Healthcare. Greenbrook Healthcare already provide urgent care services at a number of NHS Trusts, including the Princess Royal University Hospital (PRUH) in Bromley (which is part of the King's College Hospital NHS FT). The Urgent Treatment Centre (UTC) at Denmark Hill, which is located next to the hospital's Emergency Department, will continue to be open 24/7.

Urgent Community Response (UCR) across Lambeth and Southwark

The UCR at Guy's and St Thomas' covers the @home, Intermediate Care Lambeth and Intermediate Care Southwark services and is associated with the following two headline standards:

- Crisis response (2-hour standard): short-term intensive support designed to reduce preventable hospital admissions.
- Reablement response (2-day standard): Longer-term support typically provided by a multi-skilled team to maximise independence and achieve goals set with the person.

To support these standards, and our additional service provision, realignment of our UCR service model is currently underway with the Health and Social Care Urgent Response arms of Intermediate Care Lambeth and Intermediate Care Southwark joining the @home service from October 2021.

Referrals from primary care to our services will remain unchanged through the Elmcourt Unified Point of Access: 020 3049 5751, 08:00-18:00 7-days a week.

Further information is available [here](#).

Cancer updates

Updated - South East London Cancer Alliance

Please find below a link to the latest version of the update, which also includes FAQs for primary care on cancer services in south east London to support GPs and patients during the pandemic.

[Cancer updates for GPs \(08 September 2021\)](#)

Online seminars, webinars and e-Learning

Reminder - SEL Training Hubs - Active Listening

There is still space available to book on the upcoming Active Listening sessions.

A short workshop for supervisors to allow them to have mental health conversations with their teams, identify those struggling and signpost them for further support. The session is 90 minutes and **there are various dates throughout September**.

More information and details on how to register can be found [here](#).

Ask about Asthma 2021 – CYP webinars

NHS England Children and Young People's Team are running daily webinars from 20 - 24 September 2021 as part of #AskAboutAsthma 2021. These focus on children and young people's asthma care.

Ask the expert webinar, for CYP and families: **Monday 20 September - 12.30 to 13.30**. Register [here](#).

Nursing webinar: **Tuesday 21 September - 12.30 to 13.30**. Register [here](#).

Pharmacy webinar: **Tuesday 21 September - 19:30 to 20:30**. Register [here](#).

Whole systems webinar: **Wednesday 22 September** – 12.00 to 13.30. Register [here](#).

Air quality and asthma: **Wednesday 22 September - 14.00 to 15.00**. Register [here](#).

Primary care webinar: **Friday 24 September - 12.30 to 13.30**. Register [here](#).

Please register [here](#) for the main virtual conference on Thursday 23rd September.

For more information visit [website](#).

Person Centred Conversation Training

This training is about shifting from “what’s the matter” to “what matters” and tapping into an individual’s motivation to shift behaviour. The overall training aim is to equip you with the key practical skills to support patients take charge of their own health. Training is available to all staff working in South East London primary care and partner organisations including voluntary sector. Certificates will be provided. [Please click here to book](#) a 2 hour live session on MS Teams.

Please note - If you have not attended any Person Centred Care or Making every Contact count modules before, create a log in and complete [Core Skills Person Centred Care](#) (1 hour online course) before attending a live session.

Webinar - Increasing vaccine confidence and take-up in children and young people in Cohort 6 and from under-served groups

Thursday 23 September – 13.00 to 14.00

Click [here](#) to join.

Frontline teams will share advice and insights on vaccinating eligible children aged 12 and over in this webinar for staff and volunteers from all sectors supporting COVID-19 vaccination rollout.

Launch of London Workforce Race and Equality Strategy in Primary Care

The [launch](#) will be London led and dedicated to regional discussion and reflection including a review of the joint work HEE and NSHE/I are doing to create a wider Primary Care Workforce Race and Equality Strategy.

Tuesday 21 September from 14.15 to 16.00.

Register [here](#).

You must be registered to access the webinar.

Once registered, you should receive an email with a link to join the call.

Please create a SAVE THE DATE in your calendars for 21 September from 14.15 – 16.00.

Webinar - Women's Health: preconception and health inequalities

King's Health Partners Primary Care Webinar will focus on preconception and health inequalities.

Prof Louise Howard, Chris McCree, Dr Gertrude Seneviratne and Prof Lucy Chappell will be addressing the topic.

Wednesday 22 September 2021 – 13.00 to 14.00

Join via link [here](#).

Medics on the Move with Mr Motivator

Mr Motivator is inviting all GPs, nurses, healthcare assistants, pharmacists, hospital and administrative staff to join him for Medics on the Move, monthly 12-minute live Zoom sessions to get staff moving and having fun. You don't need anything to take part as most the movements will be from your chair.

- **Monday 11 October 2021** at 13.00
- **Monday 8 November 2021** at 13.00

Join via [zoom](#).

Meeting ID: 826 1673 5520

Passcode: MOTMMRM123

Resources

Script and assets for 16–17-year-old vaccination

NHSE/I have updated their [communications pack](#) for encouraging uptake among 16–17-year-olds. Updated social media statics aimed at parents can be downloaded from the [Campaign Resource Centre](#).

Comms toolkit for promoting vaccine uptake among health and social care workers

PHE have published a [communications toolkit and resource pack](#) to promote uptake among health and care staff who will need to be jabbed as a condition of deployment in order to enter care home settings. This is updated weekly as new resources become available.

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